

## ***Chronicle of a Death Foretold – Vocabulary***

### **PART ONE – Pages 1-82**

<b>ephemeral</b> (adj) – lasting one day only; lasting a very short time	<b>ambivalent</b> (adj) – simultaneously feeling opposing feelings, such as love and hate
<b>surreptitious</b> (adj) – done or acting in secret; sneaky	<b>imperious</b> (adj) – arrogantly domineering or overbearing
<b>implicit</b> (adj) – implied or understood although not expressed	<b>ubiquitous</b> (adj) – present everywhere at once, or seeming to be
<b>vacillate</b> (verb) – to waver indecisively between one course of action or opinion and another; to hesitate	<b>impede</b> (verb) – to slow the progress of
<b>affront</b> (verb; noun) – to insult intentionally; an open offense, slight, or insult	<b>animosity</b> (noun) – active hatred; a hostile attitude

## PART TWO – Pages 83-143

<b>futile</b> (adj) – having no useful purpose	<b>galvanize</b> (verb) – to stimulate into great activity; to coat a metal to prevent corrosion
<b>implicate</b> (verb) – to involve or connect incriminatingly	<b>impetus</b> (noun) – something that provides energy or motivation to accomplish or undertake a task
<b>qualm</b> (noun) – a sensation of doubt or misgiving; uneasiness (usually used in the plural)	<b>asylum</b> (noun) – a place of retreat or security
<b>unconscionable</b> (adj) – shocking and morally unacceptable	<b>iniquity</b> (noun) – great injustice or extreme immorality
<b>posthumous</b> (adj) – occurring after someone's death; work published after an author's death	<b>inexplicable</b> (adj) – incapable of being explained, interpreted, or justified